

# Iron County Register.

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IRONTON, MISSOURI

A tornado struck the village of Newland, Tex., on the 17th, demolishing a number of houses and doing much damage to property. One person was killed.

The jury in the case of Fred Behme, at Princeton, Ind., charged with taking part in the Evansville riots, failed to agree, on the 17th, and was discharged.

Charles W. Mesloh, of Columbus, O., for six years associate professor of German language and literature at Ohio State university, died on the 15th of nervous collapse.

Dr. James Brownlee Sanford, speaker of the Colorado house of representatives, died, on the 16th, at Denver, of appendicitis, aged 35 years. He was born at Pen Yan, N. Y.

Five unknown tramps, who were stealing a ride, were killed in a freight wreck on the Colorado & Southern railroad at Mayne, a small station 40 miles north of Trinidad, Col., on the 18th.

The grand jury at Bedford, Ind., in the Sarah Schaefer case, on the 14th returned two indictments against James McDonald, the first charging murder in the first degree and the second with assault.

The shaft house and machinery plant of the Gunnell mine at Central City, Col., were destroyed by fire, on the 18th, causing a loss estimated at \$50,000. The fire spread to the timbers in the shaft, which is 1,500 feet deep.

The local strike of the glassworkers was declared off after a stormy meeting at New Castle, Pa., on the night of the 17th, and the workers returned to work. The men objected to the 20 per cent. wage reduction, but will accept it.

Condemnation of the Russian government and an expression of sympathy for the Japanese in the present war are contained in resolutions passed and made public on the 18th by the combined six Finnish organizations of Chicago.

After experimenting many years, a local grower of Grand Junction, Col., claims to have developed a method of growing seedless apples, which is destined to revolutionize the apple industry just as seedless oranges revolutionized orange growing.

Jesse Spalding, one of the most prominent capitalists of Chicago, died at his home, on the 17th, after a long illness, due to stomach trouble. Mr. Spalding was selected by President Harrison as government director for the Union Pacific railroad.

Daniel J. Sully, who has for 11 months been the largest figure in the cotton markets of the world, and who "billed" cotton from seven cents a pound to more than 17 cents, announced, on the 18th, his inability to make good his engagements on the New York cotton exchange.

The imperial Russian minister of finance has offered a prize of 50,000 roubles (\$25,750) to the person or persons who will invent some way of making alcohol undrinkable, reports B. H. Warner, Jr., consul at Leipzig, Germany, to the department of commerce and labor at Washington.

David Carroll, aged 30 years, shot and killed Anna Maxwell, a 16-year-old girl, and then killed himself near Nemaha, Neb. Carroll was employed by Miss Maxwell's father as a farm hand. Carroll is said to have been a rejected suitor of Miss Maxwell, and the double tragedy resulted from her refusing to accept his attentions.

Four men have been arrested for repeating at the recent registration for the spring city election at Kansas City, Mo., and warrants for several others have been issued. Two of those under arrest have confessed, saying they were paid a dollar apiece for each time they registered fraudulently. A city employee is said to have been involved.

Support to the strike of mason's laborers is being given by the bricklayers' unions of New York, and on the 15th the business agents of the bricklayers were busy throughout the city calling out those of their men who did not quit work on the 14th. Work on nearly all of the large buildings in course of construction was suspended.

Herman Remert, a farmer living near Helsing, Kas., while temporarily insane, killed his wife and then himself. While Mrs. Remert was preparing a meal Remert stepped up to her without warning and fired a bullet into her temple. She died almost instantly. Remert then went to another room and shot himself. He was in poor health.

Judge Jonathan W. Crumpacker, of Laporte, Ind., associate justice of the supreme court of New Mexico during President McKinley's administration, and a cousin of Congressman Edgar D. Crumpacker, died, on the 15th, of typhoid fever, aged 50. Judge Crumpacker had served two terms as state senator, and was for years a leader in Indiana republican politics.

The water supply of Harrodsburg, Ky., has been cut off by the Harrodsburg Water Co. shutting down its plant. The company claims that the city is in arrears for water for four years, amounting to about \$21,000, and has made no provision to pay. The water is cut off until the claim is paid. Meanwhile Harrodsburg, a city of 5,600 people, is without fire protection.

Robert Kenney, of Chapman, Kas., a wealthy young farmer, shot and killed his wife, Alice Kenney, at their home, on the 16th, and then killed himself. Two years ago Kenney was sued for breach of promise by the woman he killed, and a judgment of \$6,000 was rendered against him. The suit was compromised by his marrying her, but recently she sued him for divorce, alleging cruelty.

# TOPICS OF THE DAY.

NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE

FIFTY-EIGHTH CONGRESS.

(First Session.)

Senate.—In the senate, on the 14th, Mr. Hoar reported from the committee on judiciary a bill for the purpose of correcting irregularities in admissions to citizenship to the United States and it was passed. Mr. Clark, senator from Montana, was in his seat for the first time since the holiday recess. The fortification appropriation bill was then taken up. Mr. Berry made a point of order against the appropriation of \$250,000 for the purchase of a submarine torpedo boat to be used by the school of submarine defense for experimental purposes. Mr. Perkins argued in favor of the appropriation. The special committee of the house to investigate the post office "indictment" of members of congress continued its work behind closed doors for the hour Monday and then took a recess. The committee is making a detailed study of each case in the report. It will first determine those cases in which there appears on the surface to be indication of wrongdoing on the part of members. If there are any such before taking the testimony of witnesses.

Senate.—The senate passed the fortification bill on the 15th, after a three-hour discussion of the amendment authorizing the purchase of an experimental torpedo boat for the purpose of testing the purchase of sites of defense works in the Hawaiian Islands. The torpedo boat provision was stubbornly opposed by the amendment suggested by the committee on appropriations was retained. Senate at 5:30 p. m. the house adjourned.

Senate.—Senate Lodge, on the 18th, introduced a resolution authorizing printing of 12,000 copies of the decisions of the supreme court of the United States in the Northern Securities case and of a complete record in the suit, including the opinions of the majority and the dissenting opinions of the dissenting justices. The resolution went to the committee on printing. The committee on public lands, after a contest extending over two years, in which an attempt was made to repeal all of the general land laws of the country, authorized a favorable report on Senator Quay's bill to amend the public land laws.

House.—In the house, during the discussion of the bill to amend the act of March 3, 1879, Mr. Sprague (Miss.) discussed the negro question, and declared unjust the attacks on the negro. He said that the negroes had been charged with brutality and that the negroes had been charged with the murder of a white man. He said that the negroes had been charged with the murder of a white man.

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PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

While the Russian torpedo flotilla from Port Arthur was scouting off the harbor, early on the morning of the 10th, the Japanese torpedo boats were encountered, and in the engagement following a Japanese torpedo boat was sunk. A shell from one of the Japanese cruisers crippled the Russian torpedo boat destroyer Stereguschich, which foundered later, a portion of her crew being made prisoners and the rest drowned.

The directors of the Independent Window Glass Co., of Columbus, O., met on the 18th, and decided on a five per cent. advance in the price of window glass, effective March 21.

Senator Tillman's throat trouble has practically disappeared, and he has recovered so greatly from his attack of the gripe that it is expected he will soon leave Washington for the south.

A steady downpour of rain was reported at points in the Kansas wheat belt on the 16th. The rain was the heaviest since October.

The trial of H. Flackham and R. F. Reaves, of St. Louis, began in the United States court at Cairo, Ill., on the 15th. They are charged with using the mails with intent to defraud. The parties conducted a mail order business in East St. Louis during the winter of 1901-02.

President John Mitchell of the United Mine Workers of America issued a statement, on the night of the 15th, announcing that the miners, by their referendum, had decided to accept the scale proposed by the operators, and that thus the threatened strike had been averted.

Rev. James Martin, a prominent Cumberland Presbyterian minister at Marshall, Mo., secretary of the board of trustees of the Missouri Valley college, died, on the 16th, aged 57 years.

In an electrical storm at Lee, I. T., on the 17th, the house of Isaac Manuel was struck by lightning and two of his children killed.

John F. Carroll, of Parkersburg, W. Va., a geologist and author of standard works of geology, died, on the 17th, in Waldron, Ark.

Fire, on the 17th, destroyed the San Angelo hotel, the First national bank and other business property at San Angelo, Tex.

The Chicago car barn bandits, Marx, Neidermyer and Van Dine, were, on the 17th, placed in solitary confinement in the county jail. No one except their spiritual advisers will be allowed to see the prisoners.

For the first time in three years orders were posted, on the 15th, at all collieries in the Schuylkill region announcing that they would be worked only half time until further notice. All mining operations will shut down until the 21st.

W. E. Brown, president of the First national bank of Storm Lake, Ia., and owner of the Farmers' and Merchants' at Lynn Grove, the Farmers' and Merchants' at Sioux Rapids, and the Bank of Royal, all failed, was indicted on the 16th by the Beuna Vista county grand jury on eight counts for receiving money when he knew the banks to be insolvent.

Mrs. Margaret Mitchell Griffin, daughter of United States Senator Mitchell, of Oregon, and wife of Francis Griffin, died in New York on the 15th.

The senate, in executive session, on the 18th, by a vote of 46 to 16, confirmed the long-pending nomination of Brig-Gen. Leonard Wood to be major-general.

John J. Lavin, member of the democratic city committee, and eight policemen, including one sergeant, were indicted, on the 18th, by the St. Louis grand jury on the charge of intimidating voters at the recent democratic primary. The policemen have been suspended pending trial.

The tellers of the United Mine Workers completed their work, on the 18th, and announced the vote, as follows: Total vote cast, 165,837. For accepting the scale, 98,514; against the scale and in favor of a strike, 67,323. Majority against a strike, 31,241.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

Attempts were made on the 20th, without success, to raise the British submarine boat No. A. 1, which was run down by the Donald Currie line steamer Berwick Castle on the 19th. The principle damage appears to have been done to the conning tower, which shows the marks of the collision. The hull of the vessel appears to be intact.

A mob of masked men stormed the jail at Cleveland, Miss., on the 19th, and secured possession of Fayette Sawyer and Burke Harris, two negroes, charged with the murder of Sid Killum, a negro porter. The prisoners were taken to the scene of the murder and hanged from the railroad bridge.

John Kauke, 85 years old, one of the founders of the University of Wooster, at Wooster, O., died suddenly of heart disease on the 20th. Mr. Kauke was a trustee of Wooster university from the beginning of the school to the date of his death, and was the first to endow a chair in the university.

Fire, on the night of the 20th, gutted the box factory owned by M. Molitor and J. P. Hummel and the Greve Show Print Co.'s plant, both located in a four-story building at the corner of Milwaukee and Huron streets, Milwaukee, Wis. Damage about \$100,000.

Lady Curzon, wife of Lord Curzon of Kedleston, viceroy and governor-general of India, gave birth to a daughter in London on the 19th. Mother and child are doing well. Lady Curzon is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Z. Leiter, of Washington, D. C.

The German bark Mona collided with the English ship Lady Cairns of Dublin bay on the 20th. The Lady Cairns sank in a few minutes. Her crew of 22 were drowned. The Mona, which was much damaged, was assisted into Dublin harbor.

W. R. Rex, a prominent young politician of St. Joseph, Mo., died on the night of the 20th with pneumonia, after an illness of less than a week. He was 40 years old, and for many years lived in Chicago.

The Washington State Press association, on invitation of the St. Louis fair board, will hold its annual meeting on May 23 in St. Louis, within the grounds of the Louisiana Purchase exposition.

An explosion of a gas tank in a restaurant owned by Cropper Brothers, at Pittsburg, Kas., on the 20th, injured six persons, three of them seriously, causing a property loss of \$5,000.

Senate.—Consideration in the senate, on the 21st, of the bill for the purpose of a site and the erection of a building for the departments, state, justice and commerce and labor, was made the occasion for adverse criticism of the architect who planned the White House offices. Messrs. Teller and Hale led the charge on the architect and Mr. Newlands defended him. During the morning a number of bills were passed.

House.—After being in session an hour and twenty minutes the house adjourned out of respect to the memory of the late Charles W. Thompson, who died Sunday. Consideration of other business was objected to by Mr. Williams, whereupon Mr. Wiley, of Alabama, announced the death of his colleague, Hon. Charles Winston Thompson, and offered the usual resolutions of sympathy and respect, which were agreed to. The speaker appointed a committee to represent the house of representatives at the funeral. At 1:20 o'clock p. m. adjourned until Tuesday.

A trolley car, on the 21st, ran through a minstrel parade at Keokuk, Ia., probably fatally injuring James Barand, hurting five other persons and destroying nearly all the musical instruments and costumes of the band. William Cahill, motorman, has been arrested on a charge of assault.

The American line steamer New York, which grounded on the 20th off Cape La Hague, and afterwards collided with the British troopship Assaye, will go into drydock. The damage which the New York sustained through the collision with the Assaye is all above the water line.

The cases involving the controversy between the Western Union Telegraph Co. and the Pennsylvania Railroad Co. over the former's right of way along the railroad, were set for hearing in the United States supreme court the first Tuesday of the next term of the court.

In the county court of Buffalo, N. Y., on the 21st, Judge Emory sentenced Charles H. Callahan, the ticket scalper convicted of forging transportation tickets, to Auburn prison, for less than one year and not more than three years.

Two thousand operatives employed in the Arlington cotton mills in Lawrence, Mass., were notified, on the 21st, that a reduction varying from five to ten per cent. in wages would go into effect on March 28.

# MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

New Bridge Nearly Completed.

Within a few days the new bridge of the St. Louis, St. Charles & Western trolley line across the Missouri river at St. Charles will be open to traffic. The bridge will have a wagon way and foot path, as well as accommodations for the trolley line. The superstructure of the bridge has been substantially built. Immense iron piers rest on firm foundations of bed rock and, it is said, will withstand the highest waters of the Missouri. The extreme eastern approach is constructed of huge timbers, behind which is filled with broken rock covered with cement. There is more than passing interest in this bridge because of the difficulties with which former bridges have met. The railroad bridge has collapsed twice, causing several deaths, and the pontoon bridge after a long and desperate struggle against the elements, was finally washed completely away. The farmers and others desiring to cross the river at this point have been compelled to depend on the old ferry boat, which still comes slowly across the stream and lands near the new bridge in a manner that indicates the fast-approaching close of its days of usefulness.

Southampton, March 21.—The American line steamship New York, Capt. Young, from New York, March 12, for Plymouth, Cherbourg and Southampton, met with two mishaps Sunday, grounding off Cape La Hague, France, in the early morning, and later coming into collision in the English channel with the peninsular and oriental steamship Assaye, under contract to the British government and used as a troopship, bound for Bombay with 500 troops on board.

The New York grounded while approaching Cherbourg at 2:30 o'clock Sunday morning, during a fog. The sea was smooth, however, and the tide was on the flood, and within an hour and a half the vessel was floated without assistance. Her bottom was damaged, and there was water in the holds, but she was able to proceed.

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He Wants the Reward. Regulo Echeverria, a citizen of Mexico, has filed suit in the circuit court against Matthew Kiely, chief of police of St. Louis, and Joseph W. Folk, circuit attorney of St. Louis, to obtain \$300 reward alleged to have been offered for the arrest and detention of Charles Kratz. He claims that \$300 of the reward was offered by Gov. Dockery and \$500 by Circuit Attorney Folk and that through his efforts Kratz was arrested in Guadalajara and held until the arrival of Chief Desmond in that city. Circumstances were sent out by Kiely and Folk, he says, stating the reward would be paid for the arrest and detention of the fugitive, but that because the officers were not permitted to see Kratz on their first visit to Mexico, payment of the reward has been refused. It is said that Mr. Folk claims that the reward was not to be paid until after Kratz had been convicted, and his case passed upon by the supreme court. The suit was brought through P. Serrano, Mexican consul to St. Louis.

Was Determined to Slay. Returning home late at night, William O'Neill, of St. Louis, sang popular airs while seated on the front steps. The neighbors objected vigorously, but O'Neill continued. Policeman Guynr was called, but O'Neill shot him in the leg and then retired. He was arrested later.

Thrown Against Turning Saw. Sam McCullough, living west of Palmyra, was perhaps fatally injured while at work at a saw mill. In lifting a heavy log McCullough was thrown on the carriage and against the saw. One leg was cut off and the other one injured.

Death of Charles Kearny. Charles Kearny, son of Maj.-Gen. Stephen Watts Kearny, Mexican war veteran and first governor of New Mexico, died in St. Joseph. He was a grandson of George Rogers Clark, of the famous Lewis and Clark expedition.

Succumbed to Appendicitis. Arthur Greeley, professor of biology at Washington university, St. Louis, died at the Jewish hospital from appendicitis, an operation for which was performed on the day previous.

St. Louis Man Sentenced. William Smedley, aged 55, who claims St. Louis as his home, was sentenced to serve ten years in the penitentiary, in St. Joseph, on a charge of assaulting a boy.

World's Fair Finances. The statement of receipts and disbursements of the World's fair, presented in the senate, show the total amount expended reaches nearly \$17,000,000.

Prominent Clergyman Dead. Rev. Dr. E. H. Miller, for many years a prominent clergyman of the Missouri M. E. church, south, died suddenly at his home at Palmyra.

Wants an Appropriation. Kansas City will make an effort to enlist the support of the senate to secure an appropriation to prevent future floods in the Kaw bottoms.

Negroes Lived 125 Years. Marie Monroe, a negress, who claimed to be 125 years old, died in St. Joseph, where she had lived since that place was a trading post.

Engineer Hurt. Two Burlington locomotives collided at Alexandria, north of Hannibal, and Engineer Blackledge sustained a severe injury to his shoulder.

Praise From Hills. W. H. Hills, chief clerk of the United States treasury department, praises the business methods of the St. Louis World's fair.

After the Lawbreakers. The fund raised at Kansas City to prosecute perpetrators of election frauds has reached \$20,000.

# LINER NEW YORK IN A COLLISION

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